

**IN THE ABSTRACT:**

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

A car system and control method in which transmission shifting is controlled such that synchronizer damage is avoided. A ~~The~~ state discrimination ~~means 301~~ device detects or infers the state of each frictional surface of the ~~synchronizers~~ synchronizers 51, 52, ~~—~~, and 56. ~~The synchronizer selection means 302~~ selects a A synchronizer for forming an intermediate transfer path is selected according to a parameter indicating the state of the frictional surface detected or inferred by the state discrimination device means 301. ~~The engine~~ Engine torque control ~~means 303~~ reduces the engine torque according to a parameter indicating the state detected or inferred by the state discrimination device means 301.